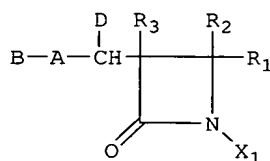


**BETA LACTAM COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USE  
AS INHIBITORS OF TRYPTASE**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5       Beta lactam compounds are provided which have the structure



10       wherein B, A, D,  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $X_1$  are as defined herein, and which are useful as  
inhibitors of tryptase, thrombin, trypsin, Factor Xa, Factor VIIa, and urokinase-type  
plasminogen activator and may be employed in preventing and/or treating asthma and  
allergic rhinitis.